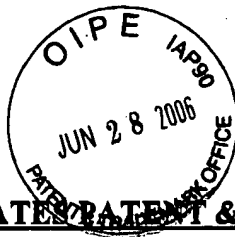


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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is further to the Office Action mailed March 3, 2006. Applicant advises that a request for a one-month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith. Applicant wishes to amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims: are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks: begin on page 6 of this paper.